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Dear Chairman Wheeler:

On behalf of the Democratic Governors Associations (DGA), I am writing to emphasize the crucial role Comcast Corporation has played in business and communities all across America.

Comcast's record of infrastructure innovation helps residents and businesses meet the constantly evolving challenges of the 21st century. The company has invested billions in technology improvements over the last 20 years. These improvements benefit all of their customers, and improve the playing field for other citizens through the American spirit of competition for service excellence. In the years ahead, Comcast will work to strengthen the mission of supporting an economy built to last in every state.

If we're going to ensure that all Americans can play a part in moving our country forward in the 21st century, we know that citizens in every corner of the country need access to the tools of the 21st century, namely the Web. Comcast's Internet Essentials program closes the gap in access between rich and poor by offering affordable Internet and computer literacy partnerships to families across the country. Comcast has played a pivotal role in rebuilding the middle class by providing more Americans the resources they need to start a business, connect with medical advice and services, or simply turn in their homework and keep moving towards higher education.

I urge you to consider Comcast's impressive body of work and all that they do in helping strengthen the middle class and investing in our nation's infrastructure.

Sincerely,

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